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## KAISER'S ALLIES TO SPLIT WITH U. S.

### CROP REPORT GIVES NATION BIG PROBLEM

Food Situation Grave at Lack of Wheat as Country Enters War.

### RYE SHOWS INCREASE

Record Breaking Production of That Cereal Forecast By Government.

Washington, April 7.—A preliminary report of more than 50,000,000 bushels in the wheat crop, as compared with last year's crop, is the first war problem in the food situation. Official estimates of the department of agriculture today, the first for the 1917 harvest, forecast that much of a decrease although the acreage is much greater.

Notwithstanding the heavy decrease in the production of wheat, the department of agriculture at Washington, in its report, says that the output of that crop for the year will be 50,000,000 bushels, as compared with 45,000,000 bushels in 1916. The increase is due to the fact that the acreage of wheat in the United States has increased from 1916 to 1917 by 1,000,000 acres, and the yield per acre has increased by 10 bushels.

The report also states that the output of rye for the year will be 1,000,000 bushels, as compared with 800,000 bushels in 1916. The increase is due to the fact that the acreage of rye in the United States has increased from 1916 to 1917 by 100,000 acres, and the yield per acre has increased by 10 bushels.

The report also states that the output of corn for the year will be 1,500,000,000 bushels, as compared with 1,400,000,000 bushels in 1916. The increase is due to the fact that the acreage of corn in the United States has increased from 1916 to 1917 by 1,000,000 acres, and the yield per acre has increased by 10 bushels.

The report also states that the output of soybeans for the year will be 1,000,000 bushels, as compared with 800,000 bushels in 1916. The increase is due to the fact that the acreage of soybeans in the United States has increased from 1916 to 1917 by 100,000 acres, and the yield per acre has increased by 10 bushels.

The report also states that the output of cotton for the year will be 1,000,000 bales, as compared with 800,000 bales in 1916. The increase is due to the fact that the acreage of cotton in the United States has increased from 1916 to 1917 by 100,000 acres, and the yield per acre has increased by 10 bales.

The report also states that the output of sugar for the year will be 1,000,000 tons, as compared with 800,000 tons in 1916. The increase is due to the fact that the acreage of sugar in the United States has increased from 1916 to 1917 by 100,000 acres, and the yield per acre has increased by 10 tons.

The report also states that the output of tobacco for the year will be 1,000,000 tons, as compared with 800,000 tons in 1916. The increase is due to the fact that the acreage of tobacco in the United States has increased from 1916 to 1917 by 100,000 acres, and the yield per acre has increased by 10 tons.

The report also states that the output of wool for the year will be 1,000,000 tons, as compared with 800,000 tons in 1916. The increase is due to the fact that the acreage of wool in the United States has increased from 1916 to 1917 by 100,000 acres, and the yield per acre has increased by 10 tons.

The report also states that the output of other crops for the year will be 1,000,000 tons, as compared with 800,000 tons in 1916. The increase is due to the fact that the acreage of other crops in the United States has increased from 1916 to 1917 by 100,000 acres, and the yield per acre has increased by 10 tons.

### Brazil Ready to Call War; Cuba Acting

London, April 7. (4:25 p. m.)—The central news says it is semi-officially informed that a declaration of war by Brazil against Germany may be expected by Monday.

Rio Janeiro, April 7.—The captain of the torpedoed Brazilian steamer Parana cables that in addition to the killing of three members of his crew, several sailors were wounded by the explosion of the torpedo. The ship was attacked at midnight without warning and disappeared the conduct of the Germans as barbarous.

New York, April 7.—The Cuban congress tonight is expected to declare that a state of war exists between Cuba and the imperial German government, according to a cable message from H. S. Asplund, private secretary to President Moncada, to the Republic of Cuba news bureau here.

### MEXICO RUSHING SOLDIERS NORTH

4,000 Troops on Way to Juarez—Cable to State of Yucatan Given for Move.

Juarez, April 7. (Night Cable.)—Four thousand Mexican troops are on the way to Juarez, according to a cable message from the state of Yucatan to the federal government. The troops are being moved to the border to meet the German advance.

### REPORT OF ENGLISH PEACE MOVE DENIED

Amsterdam, April 7. (Night Cable.)—A report that the English government had decided to make peace with Germany has been denied by the British government.

### JOIN ARMY SAYS BARRY IN ENDING TRAINING CAMPS

Chicago, April 7. (Night Cable.)—There will be no military training camps in the United States, according to a statement by the War Department.

### DISCUSS PLAN TO FINANCE WAR; HUGE LOAN TO ALLIES

Believe \$3,400,000,000 is Plenty for First Year for United States.

Washington, April 7.—Plans for financing the war were discussed today by Secretary McAdoo with members of the Senate Finance Committee. The committee is expected to approve a huge loan to the allies.

### SURVIVORS BEING TAKEN TO YMUDEN

London, April 7.—A Rotterdam dispatch to the Times says that the German submarine U-101, which was sunk by the British navy, has been salvaged and its crew taken to the island of Ymuden.

### GERMAN SHIP BLOWN UP BY CREW; 7 DEAD

Interned Gunboat Wrecked at Guam to Prevent Seizure By America.

### SURVIVORS ARE TAKEN

353 Not Killed By Explosion are Made Prisoners—Washington Learns.

Washington, April 7. The interned German gunboat, *U-101*, was blown up by its crew at Guam. The ship was interned to prevent its seizure by the United States.

Thirty-five survivors of the explosion were taken to the island of Guam. The ship was blown up by its crew to prevent its capture by the United States.

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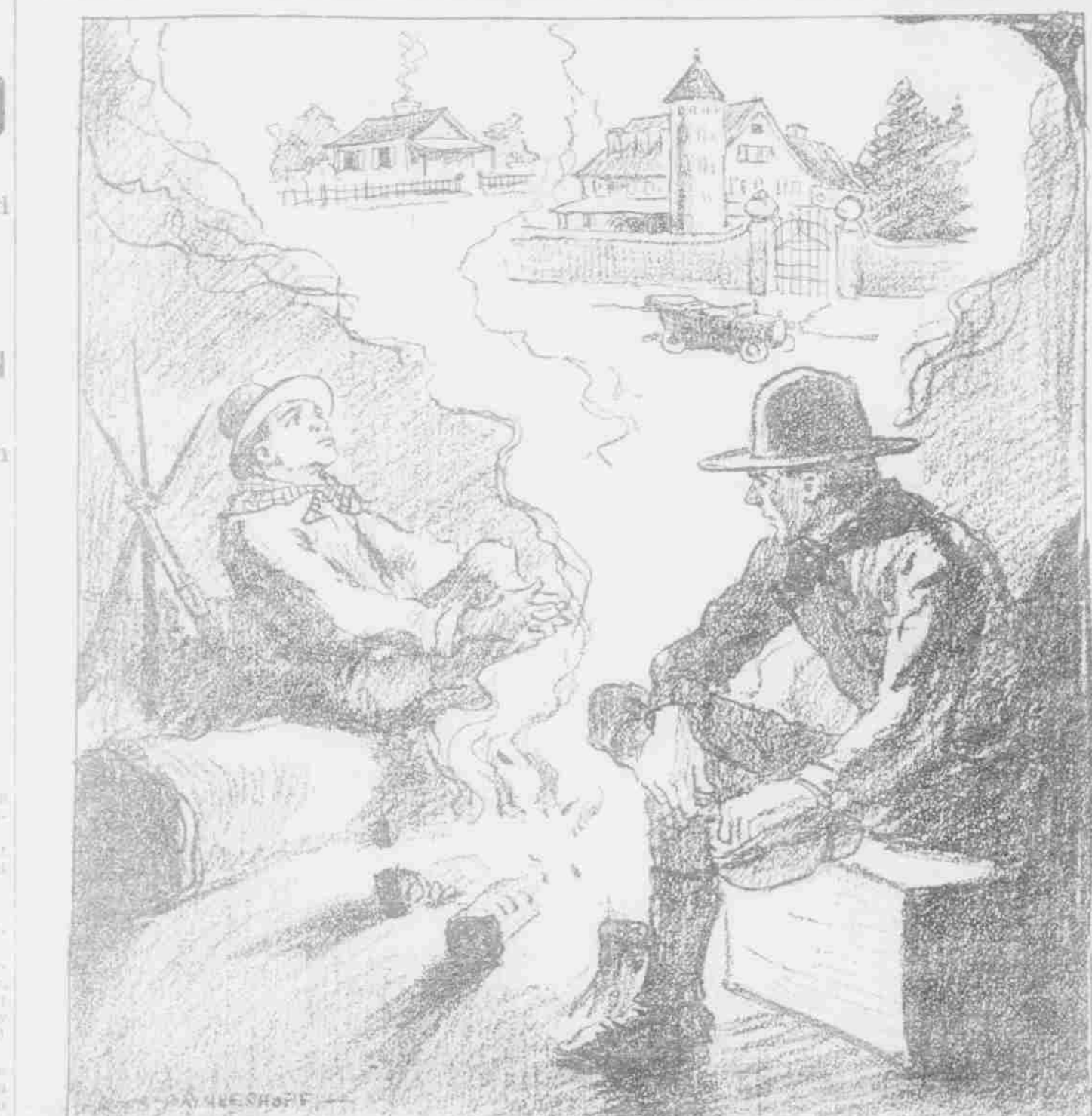
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### THE DEMOCRACY OF THE DOG TENT



### Estimate on Wheat Yield Lifts Prices

Chicago, April 7.—According to a report from the government, the wheat crop in the United States is estimated to be 50,000,000 bushels. This estimate lifts prices for wheat.

### United States Craft Search Sea for German Boat Reported Off Coast.

Washington, April 7.—Reports of German commerce raiders off the coast of the United States have led to a search by the United States navy for the boats.

### EXAMINE TEUTON SAILORS TAKEN

New York, April 7.—The crew of a German merchant ship captured by the United States navy is being examined for intelligence.

### WAR SCARE SWELLS SALES OF LICENSES

Chicago, April 7.—All records for marriage licenses issued in one day were broken today, although the license office was closed at noon.

### THE WEATHER

Forecast for 7 P. M. Tomorrow, for Rock Island, Davenport, Moline and Vienna.

### PATROLS OUT IN HUNT FOR RAIDER SEEN

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### FRANZ BOPP HELD BY GOVERNMENT

San Francisco, April 7.—Franz Bopp, former German consul general under the Kaiser, has been arrested by the United States government.

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### All Hands of Government Act for War

Washington, April 7.—The second day of war with Germany found every government agency in action along the coast.

### MAIL SERVICE TO GERMANY HALTED

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### AUSTRIA AND BULGARIA TO BREAK CLAIM

Dispatch Through London Also Says Turkey Will Sever Relations.

### IS DENIED BY ENVOYS

Embassies at Washington Not Informed of Any Such Action.

London, April 7. (6:45 a. m.)—Passports have been placed at the disposal of the American embassy in Vienna, according to a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company from the Vienna capital.

The dispatch says Bulgaria and Turkey have decided to break with the United States and that Holland probably will look after Austrian interests in Washington and American interests in Vienna.

Washington, April 7.—Word that the Austro-Hungarian foreign office had placed passports at the disposal of the American embassy at Vienna had not reached the American embassy here early today, according to Prince Rosenfeld-Schillinghorst, one of the embassy attaches.

Hopes Against Break. Minister Panaroff of Bulgaria said today he had received no instructions from his government to break relations with the United States and demand his passport.

"I have no information that would lead me to believe that Bulgaria desires a break with the United States," he said. "I sincerely hope that European reports are untrue."

Washington, April 7.—Postmaster General Burleson today suspended mail service to Germany during the war and also instructed all post offices to refuse as well as any mail destined for Austria-Hungary, Luxembourg and Turkey.

Mr. Burleson has also suspended postal money orders between the United States and the German empire. International money order offices will decline to take orders drawn upon them by German offices on and after April 6.

Man Shot by Guard Failed to Answer. Chicago, Ill., April 7.—E. H. Reese, a blacksmith, was shot and wounded on the Chicago River by a member of the Illinois National Guard.

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New York, April 7.—Two Germans were today arrested by the police in an East Eleventh street rooming house, where they found rifles and shotguns, eight revolvers, a quantity of ammunition, maps of the United States, compasses, and other paraphernalia.

Amsterdam, April 7.—The Telegram says that an explosion in the Krupp works at Essen did considerable damage and seriously wounded 38 workmen.

Petrograd, April 7.—Minister of Justice Kerezhsky said in an interview today that if the German people would follow the Russian example and overthrow their emperor, "we offer the possibility of preliminary negotiations."

Washington, April 7.—President Wilson today received cablegrams from King George of England and King Victor Emmanuel of Italy congratulating the people and government of the United States upon their entrance into the war against Germany.

New York, April 7.—The Belgian relief steamship Anna Pastene, carrying \$350,000 worth of aid to Belgium, has been sunk by a German submarine. The vessel carried no Americans.